



## **Worship** of the Good Shepherd

May 4th, 2025

### **Offering**

*Our congregation has joined together to proclaim Jesus and his love in this community and around the world. This offering is a joyful response of our faith. If you are a visitor with us, please do not feel obligated to give an offering unless you desire to do so.*

### **Electronic Offering Options**

† **VancoFaith** church app on Apple or Android device

† **Online** giving at [www.gsholmen.org](http://www.gsholmen.org)

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### **Serving in Worship**

Pastor: Gregory Pope

Accompanists: Karin Stellick

### **Worship Attendance 4/27 and 4/28**

Sunday Morning: 87

Monday Evening: 17

### **Ushers & Greeters 9:00 am**

Mark Ross      Nicole Ross

Aaron Larson

### **Next Week Ushers & Greeters**

Erik Sjolander      Amy Sjolander

Karsen/Dawson

# Good Shepherd's **Weekly Calendar**

Sunday, May 4 <sup>th</sup>	Confirmation Worship Service with Holy Communion – 9am Sunday School/Family Bible Study – 10:15am Luther High Senior Art Exhibition – 1pm Luther High Spring Spotlight Concert – 2pm
Monday, May 5 <sup>th</sup>	Monday Night Worship – 6:30pm
Tuesday, May 6 <sup>th</sup>	Bible Information Class – 5pm
Wednesday, May 7 <sup>th</sup>	Women's Bible Study – 8:30am Catechism Class – 5pm
Thursday, May 8 <sup>th</sup>	Sowers of Good Shepherd – 5:30pm
Sunday, May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Worship – 9am Sunday School/Family Bible Study – 10:15am
Monday, May 12 <sup>th</sup>	Monday Night Worship – 6:30pm

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## **Sowers of Good Shepherd**

Sowers of Good Shepherd is an offshoot of our Evangelism Team and is a monthly gathering on the second Thursday of each month at 5:30 pm at church. It is open to the whole congregation. So you are invited to the next one — Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>.

## **Church Cleaning**

We'd like to thank Kitz Sobkowiak for her service and help with cleaning the church and preschool. She has decided to step down from this position and so we are looking to fill this position. This is a paid position and will require cleaning the church, fellowship hall, offices and preschool wing. During the summer, the expectation will be once a week while during the school year we are looking for 4-5 days a week. The time of day is flexible, but will need to work around the preschool schedule.

Please contact Jacob Werre at [jacobi\\_4@hotmail.com](mailto:jacobi_4@hotmail.com) or 608-606-4426 if you want more information or may have interest. Please respond by May 31st so that we can make a decision for this summer. We are also exploring cleaning services, but we also wanted to see if anyone else may be interested.

## **Important Items at Upcoming Voters' Meetings**

On May 18<sup>th</sup> we will be having our Spring Vision Together Meeting and on June 1<sup>st</sup> we will be having our Spring Voters' Meeting. We will be discussing and voting on the following important items:

- **New Playground:** We have been working on getting a new playground for our church and preschool. We'd like to share with the congregation the cost, what it will look like and get approval on how we will pay for this necessary item for our ministry.
- **Five Year Plan:** We've been working on developing a Five Year Plan for the last couple of years and will now share this with the congregation for review and approval.
- **Mission Enhancement Status:** Applying for Mission Enhancement Status is part of the Five Year Plan and thus we'd like to discuss this program with you in more detail and also get approval to begin planning for the application process.
- **Increasing Size of the Council:** After much discussion, the council would like to propose to expand the number of men who serve on the council. This will help us as we continue to grow our ministry and will also help with burnout.
- **Review and Approval of the 2025-2026 Budget:** As is normally done, we will review the proposed budget on May 18<sup>th</sup> and vote on the budget on June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- **Voting for New Council Members:** On June 1<sup>st</sup>, we will vote for new men to join the council.

### **Book Club and Dinner Outing**

If you like to read, you are invited to read the book *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon. Then on Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> we will meet at Features in Holmen at 6:00 for a meal and to discuss the book. If you don't read and would just like to come for dinner and social time we would love to have you. There is a sign up in the back of church, so we can get an idea of the size of the group for the reservation. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Lisa Carlson (608-797-5521).

### **Foster Care Diaper and Feminine Products Collection**

We have started a foster program here at Good Shepherd. Debbie and Rick Blankenship are the representatives from our church that are here every Thursday along with two La Crosse County social workers. The social workers are very appreciative that we have opened our doors to these birth parents to spend some time with their children. Right now, the foster families have a need for diapers, especially sizes 5,6,7 and they also need any feminine products. If you would like to donate diapers or feminine products, there is a travel crib set up in the narthex that you can put them in. We will be collecting diapers and feminine products through Memorial Day weekend.

### **Good Shepherd Holmen Youth Ministry May 2025**

Our planned monthly event will be our end of the year bonfire – see church calendar for all events. All students, 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade invited and friends are welcome to join as well. Please contact Kala McClellan for further information or any questions at [kalamcclellan27@gmail.com](mailto:kalamcclellan27@gmail.com) or text/call at 612-978-3190.

Youth ministry events will not be planned regularly during the summer months but will start a regular schedule again in September. Feedback for our youth ministry is welcome and appreciated as we continue to find ways to offer faith building and fun activities for our young members.

- Wednesday 05/14/2025, 7:00-8:00pm - Youth ministry night at GS Holmen church – snacks, games, fellowship, and finishing the “Honest Conversation” video lesson series
- Wednesday 05/28/2025, 7:00-8:00pm - Youth ministry night at GS Holmen church – snacks, games, fellowship, and finishing the “Honest Conversation” video lesson series
- Saturday 05/31/2025 – Bonfire at church – roasting hot dogs, picnic sides, and drinks will be served for a meal. Yard games and a campfire will be available. Bring a dessert or side to share if you want. Join us 6:30pm -9:00pm - friends and ideas for next year welcome!